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DISASTER TO FRENCH ARMY

Lieut. Martin and Four White
Sergeants Among Those
Slain

OVERCOME IN DESERT BY BAND OF ARABS

Fifty Native Troopers Killed and
Thirty Others Taken Prisoners—Few
Who Escaped on Pack Horse Carried
the News to Timbuktu.

PARIS, March 22.—A column of
French troops, with white officers, was
viciously annihilated by Arabs while
operating in the Adegar region of
western Sahara a few days ago, ac-
cording to a report given out today by
the war department.

A column of a thousand intractable
followers of Awelimid of the Berber
tribe swooped down upon and sur-
rounded the French detachment which
was marching through the shifting
sand of the desert about three days'
journey from the Timbuktu French
military station.

Severe fighting lasted all day, the
French troops being finally overcome.
Lieut. Martin, in command of the de-
tachment, and four white sergeants,
were killed, together with 50 native
troopers, and 20 others were taken
prisoners.

A few natives who escaped on pack
horses carried the news of the disaster
to the headquarters at Timbuktu.

April.

March twinks her ear and then she
cries,
As down the road she trips,
With laughter twinkling in her eyes,
And tears play tag with smiles
And give us April skies.

In spite he blows her hair about,
And nuzzles flushing red,
Would hide their calow heads and
shout,
Had she not cut them dead,
To see her blush and pout.
Ever M. Holmes.

EX-GOV. BLACK DIED THIS MORNING

End Came From Valvular Heart Disease
at His Home in Troy—Nominated
Roosevelt in 1904.

Troy, N. Y., March 22.—Former Gov-
ernor Frank S. Black died in his home
here early this morning after a brief
illness with valvular heart trouble. He
was born in Limington, Maine, 60 years
ago, on his father's farm.

He worked his way through college,
graduating from Dartmouth in 1875. He
was engaged in newspaper work in
Gloversville and Troy previous to his
admission to the bar. He won a com-
manding place in his profession as a
member of a law firm in this city. He
was elected to Congress in 1895 and
was governor of New York 1897-1899,
having rather a stormy career in office.

After retiring from the governorship
he practiced in New York city and was
recognized as a leader there. He was
counsel for the defense in the famous
Moloney case in which the prosecution
failed to secure conviction.

He was a brilliant orator and his ad-
dress in nominating Theodore Roose-
velt for the presidency in the Republi-
can national convention of 1904 was
one of the finest efforts of his kind
which has been delivered in this coun-
try in 20 years. Three years later he be-
came exasperated at Roosevelt's course
and denounced him in a speech at Con-
cord, N. H., which attracted the atten-
tion of the entire country.

A year ago he announced that he had
made a million dollars in his law prac-
tice and that he would retire on the 60th
anniversary of his birth, but when that
day came, March 8 last, he was critical-
ly ill.

RAILROAD APPRAISALS.

Board of Appeals Announces Decisions
on Several Properties.

MONTPELIER, March 22.—The
board of appeals has announced the
following appraisals of railroad prop-
erties: Rutland railroad, \$11,010,470;
an increase from tax commissioners' ap-
praisal of \$9,080,800; Newport & Rich-
ford, controlled by the C. P. R., \$945,
000; Addison railroad, \$182,500; Mid-
land railroad, \$10,800; fair grounds
railroad, \$6000.

The Central Vermont hearing was
held and the board adjourned to Mon-
day afternoon.

60 LIVES LOST IN STORM

Central West, Southern and
Parts of Eastern States
Hard Hit

28 PERISHED IN ALABAMA ALONE

Property Loss Very Great Over a Wide
Area and Early Crops Destroyed—
Wind Reached Velocity of 88 Miles
an Hour in Some Places.

More than 60 persons are reported
killed and hundreds were injured, some
mortally, by a storm of tornado intensi-
ty which raged over central, west-
ern, southern and parts of eastern states
yesterday. Property damage will run
well into the millions. Definite advices
have been received accounting for at
least 49 persons dead, with reports from
points temporarily cut off from wire
communication by the storm adding
hourly to the list.

Reports from Alabama show the losses
of life were heaviest in that state,
the number of dead there being already
definitely placed at 28, with additional
fatalities reported but not confirmed.
One town, Lower Peachtree, was prac-
tically wiped out. Two are dead in In-
diana, two in Tennessee, three in Ohio,
two in New York one in Michigan and
two in Louisiana. Acccompany the death
lists are estimates of injured totaling
more than 200, with additions coming in
at brief intervals.

Coming up out of the southwest early
yesterday morning, the storm swept
with startling suddenness diagonally
across the country from northern Texas
to western Pennsylvania and New
York, bisecting the Mississippi valley
and moving northward across the Ohio
into the great lake region. Shifting
winds of great violence, accompanied
in various sections by snow, sleet and
hail, characterized the storm, easily
the most destructive of the year. Build-
ings toppled before the blow in nearly
a dozen states.

The property loss was heavy all along
the storm's track. Besides demolishing
or unroofing buildings, and felling
trees, the high winds, rain, hail and
sleet did serious damage to early crops.
Estimates of loss by damage to prop-
erty from Indiana and Michigan alone
total \$2,000,000, about evenly divided
between the two states. Early reports
of losses ranging from \$25,000 to \$500,
000 or more from various cities and sec-
tions scattered over the storm region
indicated that the sum total would
reach large figures.

Wires fell in all directions before the
blow. Not in many years has there been
such prostration of telegraph and tele-
phone service. Chicago, was cut off for
hours from communication with points
east. Only by devious routes was con-
nection finally established. Last night
conditions had improved materially, but
it will be several days before normal
service is restored. Railroad traffic was
seriously delayed in many districts,
where wire communication was crippled
and washouts occurred.

The wind which wiped out so much
property and lost so many lives, attained
record velocities at some points. Det-
roit reported 88 miles an hour, the
weather bureau high record in that city.
A velocity of 84 miles was re-
corded at Toledo. Cold weather is trail-
ing the destructive blow. The storm seems
to have spent its energy and to be taking
the accustomed route of such distur-
bances, out through the St. Lawrence
valley.

TAFT DISCUSSED MEXICAN SITUATION

Conference with Dr. Henry A. Tupper,
Commissioner of the Internation-
al Peace Forum.

AUGUSTA, Ga., March 22.—Dr.
Henry A. Tupper, special commissioner
of the international peace forum, held
a conference here yesterday with ex-
President Taft, honorary president of
the forum, for the purpose of discuss-
ing the Mexican situation.

Mr. Taft said Dr. Tupper called
simply because, on returning from
Mexico, he desired a conference in re-
gard to international political condi-
tions which he found there.

Dr. Tupper will go from here to
Washington to confer with President
Wilson.

CHICAGO, March 22.—So severe was
the sleet storm yesterday on telegraph
and telephone wires that it will be sev-
eral weeks before the damage is com-
pletely repaired. Some improvement is
noted today, but the telegraph service
is feeble and liable to interruption.

Messengers to Milwaukee, 85 miles
away, are being sent by way of Pitts-
burg, Columbus, Cincinnati, Omaha,
Kansas City and Minneapolis, a dis-
tance of more than 2,000 miles.

"Damn it all, that trolley car nearly
hit me."
"Say no harm of trolley cars
here. They're the only things that an
automobile is afraid of." — Louisville
Courier-Journal.

NO SURRENDER AT ADRIANPOLE

Commander of the Fortress Will Con-
tinue Heroic Defense—Denies Re-
ports of Hanging Bishops.

ADRIANOPLE, March 22.—Shukre
Pasha, commander of this fortress, is
determined to continue the heroic de-
fense which he has carried on the past
five months. He declares that all re-
ports of offers made by him to surren-
der are pure inventions, and that only
starvation can force the capitulation of
the beleaguered garrison. He also
states that there are still considerable
supplies of food on hand.

The report emanating from Sofia
that Shukre had ordered the Greek
and Armenian bishops hanged because
they had drawn attention to alleged
miseries is declared groundless and has
aroused indignation here.

The Bulgarian besiegers are making
no progress, their occasional assaults
being futile.

DEATH OF ATTEND- ANT AT MUTUAL AID

Miss Isabella Jane Gregory Victim of
Pneumonia—Body Taken to Broth-
er's Home in Dorchester.

Miss Isabella Jane Gregory, 50, an
attendant for the Brattleboro Mutual
Aid association, died of pneumonia last
night in headquarters of the associa-
tion at 1 Canal street. Her death took
place at 9:30 o'clock, following an ill-
ness of about three weeks.

Miss Gregory was born in Blackburn,
England, July 8, 1862, and was about
18 years old when she came to this
country. She spent the greater part of
her life working as an attendant in
Boston and suburbs, and came to Brat-
tleboro last July. She was a graduate
of Dr. Anna Richardson's sanitarium in
Boston.

Since coming here Miss Gregory had
been busy constantly, and she was liked
by everybody because of her pleasant
personality, cheerfulness and painstaking
care. Her only near relative is a
brother, Joseph Gregory, of Dorchester,
a vocal music teacher.

A prayer service was held this morn-
ing at Moran & Co.'s undertaking
rooms, and the body was taken to Dor-
chester, where the funeral and burial
will take place.

CLEAN SLATE FOR B. & L. BOWLING TEAM

Undeclared Throughout Masonic Tour-
nament—Beat Independents Last
Night by Score 1,222 to 1,166.

The B. & L. team of the Masonic
bowling league defeated the Independ-
ents in the last game of the tournament
and closed their season with a clean
score, not having met defeat in the five
games they rolled. They had a compara-
tively easy time last night, winning by
a score of 1,222 to 1,166, increasing
their lead with each victory. The Inde-
pendents and Agnews are tied for second
place and an extra game will be rolled
to decide the standing of those teams.

During the progress of the tourna-
ment the teams have not always rolled
as their membership called for, and this
has proved unsatisfactory to the prom-
oters of the league, as they intended
to select a team of five men to repre-
sent the fraternity in outside games and
select them from the men who had the
highest averages in the tournament. It
is now planned to have another tourna-
ment in which all league teams will
be participants and to have the mem-
bers roll only with the teams on which
they are officially members. The follow-
ing are the scores of the game last
night:

B. & L.
White, 85 89 76 = 250
Locke, 91 82 93 = 266
Busby, 70 79 73 = 222
Leach, 75 81 96 = 246
Barber, 83 81 76 = 240

INDEPENDENTS.
Spaulding, 67 85 76 = 228
Clark, 73 82 85 = 240
Miller, 82 84 72 = 238
Proctor, 74 74 84 = 232
Bowers, 81 77 70 = 228

SERVICES FOR KING GEORGE.

Royalty Attended the Gathering in
Greek Church in London.

LONDON, March 22.—Funeral ser-
vices for the late King George of
Greece were held here today in the
Greek church, and were attended by
representatives of King George of Eng-
land, the queen mother, King Alexander,
and most of the members of the diplo-
matic corps.

CHINESE GENERAL KILLED.

Attack on Gen. Sung Was Intended
for Gen. Huang.

SHANGHAI, China, March 22.—Gen.
Sung, former Chinese minister of edu-
cation, died today from the effects of
wounds received Thursday, when an
attempt was made to assassinate him
at a railroad station. Before his death
took place he received a letter which
was shot by mistake—that the bul-
let was intended for Gen. Huang, com-
mander-in-chief of Southern Fu Kien,
who was at the railroad station at the
same time.

OFFICERS SEARCHING

Trying to Find Where Poison
Which Killed Eaton
Was Bought

NORWELL HOME IS CLOSELY GUARDED

Mrs. Eaton Spent a Quiet Night in the
Jail at Plymouth—Said She Expected
No Callers Today—Spends Time
Reading and Writing.

ROCKLAND, Mass., March 22.—Ad-
ditional officers were assigned to duty
today to aid in the search for the
place where the poison which caused
the death of Rear Admiral Joseph G.
Eaton was bought. Drug stores and
laboratories in many town and cities
were visited.

The late home of the admiral in
Norwell, where his step-daughter and
the widow's mother are living, is
guarded today by policemen, and no
visitors are permitted upon the prem-
ises.

Mrs. Eaton, who is charged with the
murder of her husband, spent a quiet
night in the county jail in Plymouth.
She has been plentifully supplied with
magazines, and spends much of her
time in reading and letter writing. She
told the jail officials she expected to
callers today.

STEAMERS IN HEAD-ON COLLISION

Both Badly Damaged But Did Not
Ship Water—Accident Occurred
in Vineyard Sound.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., March
22.—The revenue cutter Itasca left
Woods Hole today to assist the steam-
ers City of Macon and James S. Whit-
ney, which collided in a heavy fog
off Tarpania cove in Vineyard sound
last night.

An eight-foot hole was torn in the
side of the City of Macon and the bow
of the Whitney was broken in when
the steamers came together.

Neither vessel shipped water, and
Capt. Diehl of the City of Macon re-
ported no one injured.

The Macon was bound from Savan-
nah to Boston and the Whitney was
bound from Boston to New York.

The first news of the collision was
contained in a wireless message.

With the lifting fog the steamers
were seen riding at anchor. The vessels
struck practically head-on.

An unknown two-masted schooner
is reported ashore on the south side of
Martha's Vineyard, but it is not be-
lieved she is in immediate danger.

GREENFIELD BANK TO REOPEN.

Savings Institution Will Be Open for
Business April 1.

GREENFIELD, March 22.—The
6500 depositors of the Greenfield Sav-
ings bank received an official notice
from Augustus L. Thorndike, bank
commissioner yesterday, stating that
the bank will resume business April 1.
The depositors will then be in pos-
session of its property and business.
Mr. Thorndike says in part:
"The bank is now in a sound finan-
cial condition. I have caused an ex-
amination to be made on March 15. The
assets of the bank are now \$3,055,407.
The deposits are \$2,838,075. A 3 per-
cent dividend will be paid April 1,
amounting to \$85,142. The guaranty fund
is \$101,603, the profit and loss account
is \$584 and the interest, which has
been accumulating since last November
and which will be paid as a regular
dividend July 1, is \$30,000.

"On its resumption, the bank will
be prepared to pay its depositors the
full amount of their deposit as they
stood at the closing of the bank in
February, 1909, and in addition to
that, will from the funds realized in
settlement of the suit against the for-
mer board of investment, credit to the
accounts of the depositors a dividend of
3 per cent on their deposit.

ESCAPES FROM PRISON.

Patrick McGowan Scaled the Walls of
Institution at Windsor.

Windsor, March 22.—Patrick Mc-
Gowan, a convict at the state prison
here, escaped last night soon after 6
o'clock by scaling the walls enclosing
the prison yard. He was serving a six-
year sentence for burglary and had
served two years of the term. He was
sentenced to prison from Burlington.
His weight is 149 pounds, color of
eyes brown, color of hair iron gray.

Queer things, these alleged wise saws.
"Know thyself," for instance. One says
the other hand, "familiarity breeds con-
tempt." How do you dope that out?

EUROPE HAS ANOTHER WAR CLOUD

Relations Between Austria and Monte-
negro Have Reached a Threaten-
ing Stage.

London, March 22.—The relations of
Austria and Montenegro have become
acute, even to the point of breaking,
as a result of the curt reply of King
Nicholas of Montenegro, to Austria's
note concerning Scutari, in which he
expresses regret for any injury done
the civil population of Scutari, but re-
fuses to concede Vienna's demand that
civilians be allowed to leave the be-
sieged city or to permit an Austrian
official to participate in the inquiry
into the alleged murder of the priest
Palie, the forcible conversion of Cath-
olics and the interference with the
Austrian steamer Skodra.

Austria already has decided to send
Montenegro a more urgent note, which
will really be a thinly veiled ultima-
tum, and, if this does not have the de-
sired effect, to issue a formal ultima-
tum which will be backed up by the
Austrian fleet now off the coast of Al-
bania, Russia, with which country
Austria is reported to have reached a
complete agreement, will, it is un-
derstood, urge Montenegro to show a
more conciliatory spirit, but the pre-
vious efforts of the Russian govern-
ment in this direction were fruitless,
and it is feared that King Nicholas,
who believes his crown depends upon
the capture of Scutari, will remain
stubborn.

Later — The Austro-Hungarian gov-
ernment today addressed a strongly
worded note to the nature of an ultima-
tum to Montenegro.

BERLIN, March 22.—Armed opera-
tions against Montenegro may soon be
begun by the Austro-Hungarian squad-
ron now cruising off Montenegro and
Albanian coasts, according to infor-
mation which reached the German foreign
office today.

Officials say Austria will send one
more note to Montenegro so as to ex-
haust the possibilities of diplomacy,
before taking positive action. It is un-
derstood that Russia has advised Mon-
tenegro to yield to Austria's demands.

DOOLITTLE TO START LARGE LUMBER JOB

Will Erect Mill on Anger Hole Road in
Marlboro and Cut Several Million
Feet in Few Years.

Warren G. Doolittle has begun mak-
ing arrangements for starting extensive
lumbering operations on the timberlot
which he owns on the Anger Hole road
in Marlboro. Within a few days he will
have the erection of a steam mill under
way on the lot and in about a month
he will have 30 to 40 men at work in
the woods and at the mill.

Mr. Doolittle does not know how large
a quantity of timber the lot contains,
but says it will amount to several mil-
lion feet and that from three to five
years will be required in the job of cut-
ting it off. The timber is of various
kinds, including birch, beech, hemlock,
maple, etc.

After the logs are saved into lum-
ber the lumber will be stacked and al-
lowed to dry and a large quantity of
it will be shipped to Williamsville.

CANADA BECOMING IMPATIENT.

Wishes United States to Act on Ques-
tion of Inland Fisheries.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Canada
is becoming impatient at the delay of
Congress in enacting into law regula-
tions for the government inland fisher-
ies in border waters framed by the
joint commission created by treaty.

John D. Hazen, the Canadian min-
ister of fisheries, will therefore accom-
pany by Ambassador Bryce, discussed
with President Wilson the attitude of
the new administration toward the
question today for the purpose of as-
certaining the prospects of early legisla-
tion.

PERSONAL.

Miss Flora Cattanch went to Spring-
field yesterday for a visit.

Richard Chamberlain is working for
P. W. Chase in West Brattleboro.

Dr. G. R. Anderson was in Spring-
field, Mass., yesterday.

Miss Bertha Crafts of Worcester
came yesterday to visit her aunt, Mrs.
Mary Crozier.

Miss Mary Henshaw and Miss Flor-
ence Allen, high school teachers, will
visit next week in New York.

Miss Mary Fitts, who has been ill
with diphtheria in a New York hospi-
tal, has recovered sufficiently to be re-
moved to the Woodstock hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Harvey are ex-
pected to return to their home on
Clark avenue next week. They are with
their son, L. H. Harvey, in New York,
on their return from the South.

Miss Gertrude Croker, who has been
visiting at her home here, will leave to-
morrow for New York to resume teach-
ing Monday. She will be accompanied
by Miss Florence M. Wellman, super-
visor of the Brattleboro graded schools,
who will spend a week in New York.

DID NOT KNOW OF LAWSUIT

Mrs. Peltier Says First News
Came to Her Through
Reformer

SOUGHT INFORMATION IN MATTER TODAY

"I Did Not," She Said When Asked
if She Authorized Anyone to Bring
Suit for Her—Interest in Case In-
creases Daily.

Mrs. Martha Peltier called The Re-
former on the telephone this morning
and said that the first intimation she
had that a suit for breach of contract
had been brought against K. E. Mosher
in her name was when she read it in
The Reformer. Thus the situation grows
daily in interest so far as the public
is concerned.

She first asked where the paper ob-
tained the information contained in the
article published yesterday and, when
informed that it had been obtained
from a copy of the papers on file at the
office of the town clerk, said:

"I did not know that there were any
such papers on file and this is the first
I have known of it," she replied.

Mrs. Peltier was then asked if she
had assigned her interest in the case
to anyone else.

"I do not see as that has anything to
do with the matter," was all she
would say in reply to that question.

FOR BENEFIT OF DAY NURSERY

Concert by Dartmouth Glee Club in
Auditorium to Be Followed by
Dance at Brooks House.

The spring tour of the Dartmouth
Glee club, which began April 3 with a
concert in Windsor, to be followed on
April 4 by a concert in Brattleboro,
will continue until April 14, ending
with a concert at the Waldorf-Astoria
in New York city. During the trip
concerts will be given in Keene, N. H.,
Springfield and Lowell, Mass., Man-
chester, N. H., Westley, R. I., and
two other cities which have not yet
been decided upon.

The program includes college songs
by the glee club as well as a varied
selection of numbers of general char-
acter interspersed by selections by the
Mandolin club consisting of 17 mandol-
ins and guitar players, violin solos,
male quartet and the opening number
by the entire glee and mandolin clubs
of 25 men.

The concert in Brattleboro will be
followed by a dance at the Brooks
House at which the members of the
club will be guests. The patronesses
are Mrs. C. A. Harris, Mrs. C. A. Miles,
Mrs. F. W. Kuech, Mrs. F. H. O'Mon-
non, Mrs. R. C. Bacon, Mrs. C. C.
Fitts, Mrs. E. H. Crane and Mrs.
Charles S. Chase. The sale of the ex-
change tickets is in charge of Mrs.
H. C. Rice, representing the day nur-
sery, for the benefit of which the pro-
ceeds are to be divided. The members
of the club will be entertained Friday
night by friends of the college at
their own homes in town.

When the Dartmouth and Harvard
glee clubs gave a joint concert in Jordan
hall, Boston, preceding the foot-
ball game last fall, every seat was
sold and a large number of persons
paid for standing room to hear the
two clubs.

PRESENT FOR VON MEYER.

Magnificent Silver Centrepiece from
former Naval Associates.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—When
former secretary of the navy George
von Meyer returns from the South
next week his former associates in the
naval department will present him
with a magnificent silver centrepiece
as a farewell gift. Virtually every
branch of the naval service will be
represented in the presentation, includ-
ing the officers and men, ashore and
afloat.

THE WEATHER.

Fair Tonight and Sunday and Colder
Tonight is the Report.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The
weather forecast is as follows: Fair
tonight and Sunday; colder tonight;
diminishing westerly winds.

An exploded theory is apt to be
heard by everybody except the theor-
ist.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

5 cents a line first insertion; 2 1-2 cents a line each subsequent insertion

Wanted

WANTED—Experienced teamster
for the woods. W. C. Doolittle, 18-11

WANTED—Boards and table
boards. 15 South Main St. 13-18

WANTED—Immediately, boy to as-
sist in pressroom work. The Reformer,
18-11.

WANTED—Washings and shirt
waists to do at home. Mrs. R. L. Pol-
len. 18-1

WANTED—Few copies of Brattle-
boro Reformer of March 4, 1913 and
March 7, 1913. Reformer Office. 12-11

WANTED—Millinery apprentices.
Apply immediately. Bascom's Mill-
inery Parlors, 83 Main St., second floor.

WANTED—Job as farm hand. Ex-
perienced. Can drive cattle or horses.
Address E. T., care The Reformer. 18-19

WANTED—Watches. Mainsprings
75c, cleaning \$1.00; also sick clocks
repaired. Howe, 117 Main St., one
light up.

WANTED—A man with references,
preferably of middle age, to work in
garden and about premises. Address
Box 766, Br